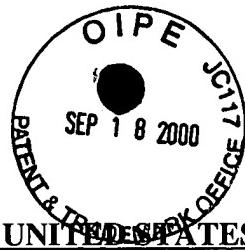


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PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the final office action mailed April 10, 2000, said period of response being extended from July 10, 2000 to September 10, 2000.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$190.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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